

## Message Text

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INFO OCT-01 ADP-00 SNM-02 /013 W  
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R 101810Z AUG 73  
FM AMEMBASSY BOGOTA  
TO DEA HQRS WASHDC  
INFO AMEMBASSY BUENOS AIRES  
SECSTATE WASHDC 8884

C O N F I D E N T I A L BOGOTA 6558

E O 11652: GDS

TAGS: SNAR CO

SUBJ: GFT COURIERS

DEA HQRS FOR ENCC MR DURKIN. EMB FOR DEA.

REF BOGOTA 6435

1. ON AUG 6/73 SZE-3-0005 PROVIDED BOGOTA DO WITH INFO THAT ALVARO ORDONEZ WOULD BE DEPARTING COLOMBIA WITHIN NEXT THREE OR FOUR DAYS ENROUTE NEW YORK AND THAT ORDONEZ WOULD HAVE AT LEAST ONE KILO OF COCAINE CONCEALED IN HIS BAGGAGE OR ON HIS PERSON. APPROPRIATE LOOKOUTS WITH CUSTOMS AND I&NS, NEW YORK WERE REQUESTED AND GOC NATIONAL POLICE (F-2) WERE ADVISED.

2. ON AUG 9/73 ALVARO ORDONEZ-ARIZA SUBJ OF REFTEL AND LUIS ALFREDO ACERO BOTH WHITE COLOMBIAN MALES OF BOGOTA COL, WERE ARRESTED AT ELDORADO AIRPORT BOGOTA IN POSSESSION OF THREE KILOS OF COCAINE. THE COCAINE WAS CONCEALED INSIDE A SEAT CUSION OF A DC3 AEROPESCA AIRLINE PLANE WHICH ORDONEZ AND ACERO HAD CHARTERED IN LETICIA, COLOMBIA TO HAUL A LOAD OF TOMATOES TO BOGOTA.

3. THE COCAINE, WAS FOUND AND THE ARRESTS WERE MADE BY ELEMENTS OF THE UNIFIED NATIONAL POLICE/DAS/CUSTOMS NARCOTICS GROUP AT  
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ELDORADO AIRPORT, AFTER THEY HAD REPORTEDLY RECEIVED INFO ABOUT

THE SHIPMENT FROM A SOURCE OTHER THAN SZE-3-005.

4. FURTHER DETAILS WILL BE FORTHCOMING IN BND6.

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